

# A Brief Form of the Service

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Lutheran Service Book – Divine Service Setting 3

Zion Lutheran Church, Petoskey, MI

October 31, 2021

## Reformation Day

### PRESERVICE MUSIC & THE BELLS

### OPENING HYMN

“A Mighty Fortress” LSB #656

### INVOCATION *(Please rise)*

Leader: We begin in God’s Name:  
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

### CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Leader: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.  
Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: **who made heaven and earth.**

Leader: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Leader: Let us confess our sins to the Lord:  
O almighty God, merciful Father,

**ALL: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You, and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.**

Leader: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**ALL: Amen.**

## **PSALM** *Psalm 46*

P: God is our refuge and strength,

**C: a very present help in trouble.**

P: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,

**C: though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,**

P: though its waters roar and foam,

**C: though the mountains tremble at its swelling. *Selah***

P: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

**C: the holy habitation of the Most High.**

P: God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;

**C: God will help her when morning dawns.**

P: The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;

**C: he utters his voice, the earth melts.**

P: The LORD of hosts is with us;

**C: the God of Jacob is our fortress. *Selah***

P: Come, behold the works of the LORD,

**C: how he has brought desolations on the earth.**

P: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;

**C: he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.**

P: "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations,

**C: I will be exalted in the earth!"**

P: The LORD of hosts is with us;

**C: the God of Jacob is our fortress. *Selah***

## **RESPONSIVE KYRIE**

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**People: Amen.**

## **SALUTATION**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray...

## **COLLECT PRAYER**

*(Please be seated)*

## **THE FIRST LESSON**    *Revelation 14: 6-7*

<sup>6</sup> Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. <sup>7</sup> And he said with a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **THE EPISTLE**    *Romans 3: 19-28*

<sup>19</sup> Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup> For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. <sup>21</sup> But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— <sup>22</sup> the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: <sup>23</sup> for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup> and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup> whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. <sup>26</sup> It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL**    *Matthew 11: 12-19*

<sup>12</sup> From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. <sup>13</sup> For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, <sup>14</sup> and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. <sup>15</sup> He who has ears to hear, let him hear. <sup>16</sup> “But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates, <sup>17</sup> “‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.’” <sup>18</sup> For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon.’ <sup>19</sup> The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds.”

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to You, O Christ.**

## **THE HYMN OF THE DAY**

**“Built on the Rock” LSB #645**

## **THE SERMON**

## **THE CREED**

Pastor: We confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

**ALL:** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **THE OFFERING**

*We will continue to receive your Offerings in the wooden box at the entrance. However, the Offerings will be brought forward by an Elder and as they are brought forward the congregation arises and sings:*

**“We Give Thee But Thine Own” LSB #781**

**We give Thee but Thine own, Whate’er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

## **PRAYERS**

*[After each petition, we will respond:]*

Leader: Lord, in your mercy...

**People: Hear our prayer.**

*[At the conclusion of our prayers, we join together...]*

**ALL:** Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

Pastor: We now turn our attention to these elements of God's grace, as we hear Christ's words, instituting His Holy Supper:

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

And may the peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People: Amen.**

## **AGNUS DEI**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

*(Members of Zion and members of other LCMS congregations are encouraged to join us at the communion rail to receive the Lord's Supper. For those who are new among us, or members of a different faith background, please speak with pastor before partaking. We love to have conversations about the Lord's blessings, so please feel free to ask if you have questions about our beliefs and practices surrounding this Sacrament. Thank you!) [The Communion Meal is distributed.]*

*(Note: We have returned to the option of kneeling at the Communion rail and Pastor will individually dismiss each table with a blessing.)*

## **COMMUNION HYMNS**

**"Hail to the Lord's Anointed" LSB #398**

**"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" LSB #655**

## **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT PRAYER**

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen**

## **BENEDICTION**

L: And now, receive the blessing of our God:

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with His favor, and grant to you His peace.

**ALL: Amen**

## **THE CLOSING HYMN**

**"Salvation Unto Us Has Come" LSB #555**

## **POSTSERVICE MUSIC**

*Please join us for our upcoming vespers concert at Zion Lutheran, Petoskey*



**Vespers Concert Series: featuring Jameson Thompson**

**Saturday November 6, 2021 at 4:00 PM**

*Hors d'oeuvre and dessert reception immediately following*

*Highlighting music of the Reformation and the Feast of All Saints*

*Organ, Piano, Brass Quartet, Chamber Choir, Handbell Choir, Flute*



A native of Northern Michigan, Jameson Thompson was born and raised at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church of Petoskey. He first encountered the organ at the age of 8, when organist Elizabeth Von Nolting let him play the final note of her postlude, the lowest note on the pedal board. He was immediately captivated by the sonority and thrill of the organ. At the age of 11, with his toes barely able to touch the pedals, he played his first service at Zion. During his remaining years of school, he played services and concerts at over 15 churches and venues in Northern Michigan. After high school, he moved to Grand Rapids where he studied Pipe Organ Performance at Calvin University.

Jameson is an active organist in the Grand Rapids area, holding the position of Senior Organist and Director of Music & Arts at East Church in Grand Rapids. Best known for his flair for bridging the divide between music styles, Jameson enjoys arranging music that combines traditional hymn melodies with contemporary harmonization and textures, as well as performing 19th century French organ music.

